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PATENT

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of :

FUJIWARA, Makoto, et al. :

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For: METHOD FOR DESIGNING INTEGRATED CIRCUIT DEVICE

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

On page 1, after the title, please insert the following paragraph:

--This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/418,312, filed

October 14, 1999.--

**REMARKS**

The above amendment has been made in order to include the prior application.

Entry of this Preliminary Amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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